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Editor and publisher of the British-licensed Berlin daily "TELEGRAF". Is an influential ^{right} ~~left~~-wing member of the SPD. According to BSC-644, subject controls a fairly efficient private intelligence service (no further indication of this -- can it be through his assorted news sources?). It is quite possible that he is working for the British. It has also been rumored that he has some connection with the Dutch Secret Service (this may possibly be through the British, who are known to exchange information with the Dutch).

Source has not produced much to date, but has recently submitted a plan to his SC case officer by which he hopes to increase his activity for us -- this is to increase the scope of activities of the so-called "Eastern Bureau" of the TELEGRAF, with the assistance of US authorities. Even though it is forbidden, the TELEGRAF is widely circulated throughout Eastern Germany; it even has a number of "unofficial" correspondents in the Soviet Zone. It is to be presumed that source has discussed this project with the British, with whom we would probably share this project. Since Washington has no objection to this arrangement, this project will probably be put into operation.

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